

# Governor's Commission for a Drug Free Indiana

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## Comprehensive Community Plan

**County: Benton**

**LCC: Coalition for a Drug Free Benton County**

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## Plan Summary

**Mission Statement:** The vision of the Coalition for a Drug Free Benton County is to provide a forum for exchange of information related to tobacco, alcohol and other drugs in Benton County. The Coalition comes together with the common goal of reducing the incidence, prevalence, costs and consequences of alcohol and other drug use and abuse. Success of meeting these goals will improve the quality of life for individuals, families and the Benton county community as a whole.

**History:** The Coalition for a Drug Free Benton County (hereinafter referred to as the “Coalition”) was established in 1989 under the guidance of the Governor’s Commission for a Drug Free Indiana. The initial Coalition worked hard to provide programs and assistance in addressing the Benton County alcohol and other drug problems. In more recent years, the Coalition wrote a mission statement to memorialize the ideas and dreams of the Coalition. The following is the Mission Statement of the Coalition: The vision of the Coalition for a Drug Free Benton County is to provide a forum for exchange of information related to tobacco, alcohol and other drugs in Benton County. The Coalition comes together with the common goal of reducing the incidence, prevalence, costs and consequences of alcohol and other drug use and abuse. Success of meeting these goals will improve the quality of life for individuals, families and the Benton county community as a whole.

The Coalition is located within Benton County, having a population of 9,189 according to the 2003 census; the target population is predominantly white with 98% of the population represented. There is also a growing 2.6% Hispanic/Latino population within the county. The Department of Health and Human Services defines Benton County as a rural community. It covers a geographic area that consists primarily of farming and some light industrial businesses. Benton County is located in north western Indiana, approximately 120 miles northwest of Indianapolis and 88 miles southeast of Chicago. It is a “bedroom” community to Tippecanoe County, which includes the cities of Lafayette and West Lafayette, the home of Purdue University, and the country’s 16th largest university. Benton County has one school corporation consisting of one high school and four elementary schools, soon to be consolidated. Enrollment in the Benton Community School Corporation for 2005 is 1,978 students.

Residents of Benton County are primarily represented in two types of lifestyles as defined by the Claritas Household PRIZM Groups; Country Families and Rustic Living. Country Families are characterized as married couples with children, white and working in industrial and agricultural employments. They are home owners and owners of mobile homes. Those with a Rustic Living lifestyle are also characterized as married couples living in various remote towns. Elders and married couples share mobile homes and help raise children. Employment features craftsmen, agricultural labor, construction and transportation. In Benton County, 74% of Benton county residents with children reside in a married couple family household; however the county also has 10% of its residents divorced, a rate which is equal to that of the nation (PREVSTAT, 2004).

The Coalition has taken into account these demographics and other data when addressing the ATOD needs of its community. The planning process for the Coalition's Comprehensive Community Plan consisted of gathering information from various sources and focusing on data at the "neighborhood" level to determine the greatest areas of need. The information was corroborated by multiple planning sessions with individuals representing the various community sectors within Benton County.

The problem statements identified in the Comprehensive Community Plan completed by the Coalition in 2004 remain the same in the Plan Update of 2006. The Coalition has worked actively to address these issues throughout 2005. A Coordinator continues to organize the Coalition's efforts. Bylaws and the use of Conflict of Interest documents continue to guide the function of the Coalition. Meetings are open to everyone interested in the Benton Community and attendance is encouraged. The Coalition also continues to use specified Request for Funds Applications and a specific process to solicit, review, and fund proposals addressing the needs identified in the Plan at least annually. Once a project or services has been funded, the recipients are then required to complete a Project Report midway through the grant cycle and at the end of the grant year for the review by the Coalition. A verbal report is also required to be given to the Coalition by each grantee and attendance requirements have been established.

The Coalition has worked in to be inclusive of the community and utilized its members to address the needs in Benton County. It is allowing Benton County residents to address important issues, ones that may be too large for one group alone. It is working to empower individuals in the community and mobilizing more skills, as it strives to minimize duplication of efforts so that time spent is efficiently addressing Benton County's ATOD issues. As a result, the overall average attendance has nearly doubled in the last year and the Coalition now distributes a monthly newsletter into the community to increase awareness and promote involvement. New partnerships have also been cultivated as the Coalition has come together to address the prevention, treatment, and the judicial/law enforcement needs of its community. The Coalition understands building and strengthening the capacity of its membership will enable Benton County to prevent and reduce substance abuse in its community effectively and for the long term. The 2006 Plan Update reflects this point of view.

**Summary of the Comprehensive Community Plan:** The Coalition for a Drug Free Benton County identified a total of seven problems to be addressed in the coming year. These problems are:

- (1) Alcohol use and abuse by Benton County youth continues to be of primary concern in the county.
- (2) The average age of first use alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use continues to be unacceptably low.
- (3) Law enforcement and probation officers continue to see an increase in the number of drug use/abuse related arrests and subsequent court cases.

(4) Treatment services in Benton County are not sufficient to address the counties need for treatment for persons seeking services.

(5) High-risk alcohol, tobacco, and other drug behaviors exist in the community and must be addressed.

(6) There is a lack of awareness of problems related to drug use/abuse.

(7) There is a lack of community involvement in addressing the county's drug use/abuse problems.

## **Membership List**

**County LCC Name: Coalition for Drug Free Benton County**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Category</b>
<b>Gail Lange</b>	<b>Benton Community School Corporation</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Allie Fisher</b>	<b>Benton Central Courage Club</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Youth</b>
<b>Elva James</b>	<b>Benton County Division of Family &amp; Children</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Treatment/ Intervention</b>
<b>Marci Rosenbarger</b>	<b>Benton County Probation</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Judiciary/ Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Jud Barce</b>	<b>Benton County Prosecutor</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Judiciary/ Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Phil McBride</b>	<b>Indiana State Police</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Judiciary/ Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Stephanie Parker</b>	<b>Fowler United Methodist Church</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Faith Based</b>
<b>Marsha Schluttenhofer</b>	<b>Benton Central After Prom Committee</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Parent</b>

<b>Deb Parker</b>	<b>The Compass Teen &amp; Family Life Center</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Prevention</b>
<b>Janie Petersen</b>	<b>Benton County Tobacco Prevention &amp; Cessation</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Prevention</b>
<b>Jennifer Fry</b>	<b>Benton Central Courage Club</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Dan Fisher</b>	<b>Fowler Wesleyan Church/ Celebrate Recovery Program</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Treatment/ Intervention</b>
<b>Jane McCann</b>	<b>Lafayette Crisis Center</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Treatment/ Intervention</b>
<b>Jeff Bol</b>	<b>Benton County Interdiction Officer</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Judiciary/ Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Jim Knogge</b>	<b>Otterbein Police Department</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Judiciary/ Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Jon Eads</b>	<b>Indiana State Police</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Judiciary/ Law Enforcement</b>
<b>Dave Reif</b>	<b>Benton Community School Corporation</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>
<b>Destin Haas</b>	<b>Benton Community School Corporation</b>	<b>Caucasian</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Education</b>

## Problem Identification

**Problem Statement #1:** Alcohol use and abuse by Benton County youth continues to be of primary concern in the county.

**Supportive Data:**

- According to the Indiana and Prevention Resource Center's data from the ATOD Use by Indiana Children and Adolescent Survey conducted in 2003: 2.3% of the county's 10th graders report daily use of alcohol. This is higher than the national average of 1.8%. 4.6% of the county's 11th graders report daily use of alcohol. This is higher than the state average of 4.2%. 6% of the county's 12th graders report daily use of alcohol. This is higher than the national average of 3.5%. Monthly use of alcohol for Benton County 8th graders is 22.3%. Monthly use of alcohol for Benton County 11th graders is 46.8%, which is higher than the state average. Annual use of alcohol for Benton County 8th graders is 37.9%. Annual use of alcohol for Benton County 11th graders is 60.6%, which is higher than the state average. Lifetime use of alcohol for Benton County 8th graders is reported as 50.5%. Lifetime use of alcohol for Benton County 11th graders is reported as 71.6%. This is higher than the state average. Binge drinking for 12th graders is reported as 30.8%, which is higher than the state average of 29.3% and the national average of 28.6%.
- This following statistical data supports the concern of Coalition members that substance use and abuse among Benton County youth is of primary concern: There were 112 suspensions from Benton Community School Corporation during the 2003-2004 school year and 6 expulsions, 5 of which were involved drugs, weapons, or alcohol (Journal & Courier, 2005). 31% of juvenile arrests in Benton County in 2004 were for drug/alcohol related offenses.
- Early use is also a concern for Benton County youth as Coalition members have observed an increase in substance use experimentation and abuse in elementary students through their work within the county. Healthy People 2010, a set of health objectives for the nation, has the goal to increase the age of first use in adolescents aged 12 to 17. The target rate established is 16.1 years of age for first use of alcohol and 17.4 years of age for marijuana use. Use of alcohol at some point in the life of Benton County 8th graders is reported as 50.5%. For marijuana, 65.5% of 9th graders report use of the substance in their lifetimes (PREV-STAT, 2004)
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**Year 1 Update:**

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**Year 2 Update:**

- **Benton County School Corporation students are taking the IPRC survey this spring 2006 with those results due in the fall. This will allow the Coalition to review age of use and use prevalence.**
- **Arrests related to alcohol use and youth in 2005 (Benton County Offender Fee records):**

Maintaining a common nuisance	20
Furnishing alcohol to a minor	1
Possession of alcohol by minor/ minor consumption/contributing	11
Contributing to delinquency of minor	5
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**Final Update:**

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**Objectives:**

- **Collaborate with the Benton Central Jr./Sr. High School Courage Club to promote their alcohol/drug free message and activities.**
- **Promote and sponsor youth to attend leadership conferences, such as Many Voices One Vision, Youth Summit, Point of Youth etc.**
- **Encourage and support community wide drug-free opportunities and events.**
- **Encourage continuation and expansion of school ATOD prevention programs by funding or providing assistance.**
- **Provide funding for community ATOD Education/Prevention programs.**

## Year 1 Update:

- The Coalition held a YO!(Youth Outlook) retreat in the summer of 2004 to encourage youth participation in its efforts. Since that time, the Coalition Coordinator has partnered with the Jr./Sr. High Courage Club sponsors to utilize the groups perspective in a Youth Advisory Council capacity for Coalition activities. The Coalition and the youth of the county have participated in various activities. In October 2004: Red ribbon satin bracelets and stickers were given to each elementary school reaching approximately 927 students. 11 YAC & Courage Club members traveled to 3 elementary schools visiting approximately 370 4-6th graders; reciting and signing a pledge to be drug free with each student. The Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Coalition partnered for the visits, giving out bookmarks and mints with a tobacco free message. Over 1200 red lapel ribbons and 35 treat bags were assembled and used during Red Ribbon Week at Benton Central High School. The SAFETY BUG visited the Jr./Sr. high school offering "hands on" experience with impaired driving.
- Coalition YAC/Courage Club members also led activities for the Afternoons Rock after school program at Otterbein Elementary.
- The Coalition sponsored two youth to attend the Many Voices conference.
- Two youth were also involved with POY in 2004.
- Funding was provided for youth to attend Life Teen Leadership conference for high school juniors and seniors who show leadership potential in the community.
- Red Ribbon Week activities were supported in 2004.
- The SafetyBug, impaired driving simulator, was brought to BC in October by the Coalition through is partnership with the Tippecanoe County LCC and Point of Youth.
- AfterProm –the Coalition provided funding for this event as a drug-free alternative party
- BC Courage Club- this youth led group was supported by the Coalition in 2004.
- The Coalition provided funding for a nationally recognized speaker to visit Benton Central in 2004. John Crudele addressed difficult issues related to and including substance use with youth and parents.
- The Coalition Coordinator provided staff support to BC Courage Club.Funding was provided for a nationally recognized speaker to provide prevention presentations at the Jr./Sr. High School.
- Funding was also provided to After Prom as a drug free alternative activity.

## Year 2 Update:

- The Coalition provided funding for Benton Central Jr./Sr. High School hosts Paul Dunbar, Real Kids Real Life speaker.
- Coalition member, Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Coalition, hosts Kick Butts activities resulting in student volunteers collecting 2300 cigarette butts on the high school campus.
- Courage Club participates in Orange Ribbon Week activities including a convocation and wrecked car as a visual reminder.
- After Prom is held with over 250 students in attendance.
- The Coalition participates in the Benton County fair. Approximately 10 bags of information and 25 candy packets with prevention message are given out. The "Drunk" Goggles are used as a fun way to demonstrate a serious message.
- Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Coalition offers TEG program to students who have been caught smoking on school grounds.
- Coalition helps to sponsor Red Ribbon Week activities: The faith community is asked to participate by offering prayers for individuals and families affected by substance abuse. The County's courthouse is decorated in red ribbons, showing unity for a healthy and safe community. Grocery bags decorated by Benton County elementary school students, show all of the positive things our youth enjoy instead of doing drugs and are made available at local retailers. Otterbein, Boswell, & Sacred Heart schools, The Compass & Fowler United Methodist Church participate in Plant the Promise. Red tulips will bloom in the spring during Alcohol Awareness month as a reminder of a community working to be drug free. The Oxford Public library hosts a reading display for youth about making healthy choices. Benton Community students sign pledges to be drug free and this "wall of hands" is displayed at local schools. The Courage Club "tests" fellow high school students through trivia and prizes are shared. Oxford & Fowler elementary students receive a visit from Purdue's Golden Girl. Proud to Be Drug Free car magnets are offered to Benton County law enforcement.
- Planning and collaboration for the Coalition's first community education night begins.
- The Coalition Coordinator provided staff support to BC Courage Club.

## Final Update:

**Goals:**

- **Alcohol use and abuse by Benton County youth will decline.**

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

- **Benton County School Corporation students are taking the IPRC survey this spring 2006 with those results due in the fall. This will allow the Coalition to review age of use and use prevalence.**
- **22 expulsions and/or suspensions from Benton Community School Corporation during the 2004-2005 school year involving drugs, weapons, or alcohol according to Indiana Department of Education data.**

**Final Report:**

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**Problem Statement #2:** The average age of first use alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use continues to be unacceptably low.

**Supportive Data:**

- According to the Indiana and Prevention Resource Center's data from the ATOD Use by Indiana Children and Adolescent Survey conducted in 2003: Nearly 10% of 7th graders in Benton County report monthly alcohol use. Over 20% of 8th graders in Benton County report monthly alcohol use. Over 35% of 9th graders in Benton County report monthly alcohol use. 2% of 7th graders in Benton County report monthly marijuana use. 7% of 8th graders in Benton County report monthly marijuana use. Over 15% of 9th graders in Benton County report monthly marijuana use, which is above the state average. 50.5% of 8th graders report a lifetime use of alcohol. 65.5% of 9th graders report a lifetime use of marijuana. 5% of 9th graders report a lifetime use of MDMA (ecstasy). The state average is 4.2%.
- Healthy People 2010, a set of health objectives for the nation, has the goal to increase the age of first use in adolescents aged 12 to 17. The target rate established is 16.1 years of age for first use of alcohol and 17.4 years of age for marijuana use. Use of alcohol at some point in the life of Benton County 8th graders is reported as 50.5%. For marijuana, 65.5% of 9th graders report use of the substance in their lifetimes (PREV-STAT, 2004)
- In addition, Benton County is a rural community with limited opportunities for youth to develop effective leadership, communication, and problem-solving skills that enable them to make healthier substance use decisions. While rural communities are not all alike, they do share one common feature: low population density which poses its own set of rural-specific problems. Those problems can include a lack of acceptance by the rural community of prevention and treatment efforts, unavailability of trained staff, transportation difficulties, and higher costs (NCADI Prevention Primer, 1993).

**Year 1 Update:**

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**Year 2 Update:**

- **Benton County School Corporation students are taking the IPRC survey this spring 2006 with those results due in the fall. This will allow the Coalition to review age of use and use prevalence.**
- **According to the most recent ITPC Indiana Youth Smoking Survey, once Indiana youth reach 9<sup>th</sup> grade smoking rates jump to 19% then increasing to 26% when they are in 12<sup>th</sup> grade.**

**Final Update:**

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**Objectives:**

- **Encourage and support community wide ATOD education/prevention/awareness programs, e.g. Red Ribbon Week Campaign, Orange Ribbon Week, the Courage Club.**
- **Encourage collaboration among various community agencies for ATOD prevention.**
- **Encourage continuation and expansion of school ATOD prevention programs by funding or providing assistance.**
- **Provide funding for community ATOD Education/Prevention programs.**
- **Promote and sponsor youth to attend leadership conferences, such as Many Voices One Vision, Youth Summit, Point of Youth, etc.**
- **Conduct educational forums for parents to educate them on types of drugs, their use and how to identify use in their children, specifically alcohol, marijuana, dextromethorphan, and ecstasy.**
- **Educate and inform the community about trends and dangers of substance use, parenting skills, legislative updates, advocacy opportunities, continuing education, and community resources utilizing local media and the Coalition newsletter.**

## Year 1 Update:

- Red Ribbon Week activities were supported in 2004.
- The SafetyBug, impaired driving simulator, was brought to BC in October by the Coalition.
- Funding was provided for a nationally recognized speaker, John Crudele to provide prevention presentations at the Jr./Sr. High School for students and parents.
- Over 40 organizations and individuals are invited to attend monthly meetings.
- The Coalition News has increased circulation
- The Coalition Coordinator provided staff support to BC Courage Club.
- Funding was also provided to assist with Red Ribbon Week activities and to After Prom as a drug free alternative activity.
- Coalition YAC/Courage Club members led activities for the Afternoons Rock after school program at Otterbein Elementary.
- The Coalition provided funding for a nationally recognized speaker to visit Benton Central in 2004. John Crudele addressed youth and parents about issues of substance use.
- Funding was also provided to After Prom as a drug free alternative activity.
- In 2004, the Coalition began preparation for the application process to obtain funding from the Drug Free Communities Support Program.
- The Coalition sponsored two youth to attend the Many Voices conference.
- Two youth were also involved with POY in 2004.
- Funding was provided for youth to attend Life Teen Leadership conference is for high school juniors and seniors showing leadership potential in the community.
- The Coalition News contains information on these issues and is being distributed in the community.
- The Coalition provided funding for a nationally recognized speaker to visit Benton Central in 2004. John Crudele addressed youth and parents about issues of substance use.
- The first edition of the Coalition Newsletter was published in May 2004.
- The Coalition News increased circulation in June by being included with the Town of Fowler monthly newsletter and is also being distributed to over 40 organizations and individuals by email.
- The Coalition provided funding for a nationally recognized speaker to visit Benton Central in 2004. John Crudele addressed youth and parents about issues of substance use.culation by being included with the Town of Fowler newsletter.
- Special subcommittee meetings were held focusing on prevention and treatment needs in the community.
- Average attendance to Coalition meetings has nearly doubled in the last year.

## Year 2 Update:

- Red Ribbon Week activities were supported in 2005. (see details above)
- The Coalition worked with the Courage Club to host a convocation in which the speakers were individuals that had lost loved ones and a young man who had caused the death of his girlfriend due to impaired driving for Orange Ribbon Week activities. A wrecked car was also used as a visual reminder.
- Over 40 organizations and individuals are invited to attend monthly meetings.
- The Coalition News contains information on these issues and continues to be a monthly insert in the Town of Fowler newsletter.
- Special subcommittee meetings were held focusing on prevention needs in the community and an application for the Drug Free Communities Support Grant was completed.
- The Coalition Coordinator provided staff support to BC Courage Club.
- Funding was provided to assist with After Prom as a drug free alternative activity. Over 250 students attended and received t-shirts with the Coalition acknowledged.
- Coalition member, Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Coalition, holds cessation classes in Benton County.
- The Coalition participates in the Benton County fair. Approximately 10 bags of information and 25 candy packets with prevention message are given out. The "Drunk" Goggles are used as a fun way to demonstrate a serious message.
- Coalition members participate in the Senior Health Fair, reaching 182 individuals.
- Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Coalition offers TEG program to students who have been caught smoking on school grounds.
- The Coalition continues participation in the Benton County Community Foundation's Wellness Task Force.
- Planning and collaboration for the Coalition's first community education night began at the end of 2005 to host a Do You Know? event in March 2006.

## Final Update:

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**Goals:**

- A trend will be established that indicates an increase in the age of the first use of ATOD by minors.
- Parents will become more active and aware of ATOD prevention efforts.

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

- Benton County School Corporation students are taking the IPRC survey this spring 2006 with those results due in the fall. This will allow the Coalition to review age of use and use prevalence.
- The ITPC Indiana Youth Smoking Survey is being completed annually and will be done in 2006 to offer comparative information on tobacco use rates by age for youth.
- Benton Central Sr High School's youth group, the Courage Club had approximately 15 members in the 2004-2005 school year, with nearly 30 members for the current school year.
- To offer additional resources in its rural community the Coalition awarded \$14,102.08 for projects in prevention, treatment, and enforcement in 2006.
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**Problem Statement #3:** Law enforcement and probation officers continue to see an increase in the number of drug use/abuse related arrests and subsequent court cases.

**Supportive Data:**

- 2002 - arrests were made in the following categories: OWI - 45; Public Intoxication - 13; Minor consumption/contributing - 14; Possession marijuana/paraphernalia or related offense - 40; Dealing marijuana - 4; Possession cocaine - 5
- 2003 - arrests were made in the following categories: OWI - 47; Public Intoxication - 15; Possession marijuana/paraphernalia or related offense - 77; Dealing marijuana - 23; Possession cocaine - 1; Dealing cocaine - 2; Possession methamphetamine - 5; Dealing methamphetamine - 2
- Data from the Indiana State Police states there were 427 methamphetamine lab seizures in Indiana in the year 2000, 681 in 2001, and 988 in 2002. In 2003, there were 1,260 methamphetamine lab seizures. Benton County is no exception having 1 seizure in 2003.
- There was also a 57 % increase in criminal activity related to methamphetamine from year 2002 to 2003 (Benton County Offender Fee records).
- Through law enforcement's observations, an increasing crime is persons stealing anhydrous-ammonia for the purpose of manufacturing methamphetamine. In 2002, 4 arrests were made, while in 2003, 2 arrests were made. However, due to Benton County being a farming community, anhydrous-ammonia is widely used throughout the open fields in the county, as such it is difficult to obtain accurate statistics related to prevalence of this crime.

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<b>Year 2 Update:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There were 1549 methamphetamine lab seizures in the state of Indiana in 2004. Benton County had 2 seizures in 2004 (PREVSTAT, 2005)</li> <li>Arrests 2005 (Benton County Offender Fee records): Possession Paraphernalia – 31, Purchasing over 3 grams of ephedrine/pseudo ephedrine in 7 days – 2, Possession of Precursors – 1, Possession of meth – 3, Public Intoxication – 12, Dealing controlled substance – 4, Possession of controlled substance within 1000 feet of a school – 3, Possession of controlled substance – 4, Possession of Marijuana – 36, Dealing Marijuana – 14, Conspiracy to commit dealing of a controlled substance – 1, OWI – 38, Possession of legend drug – 1, Conspiracy to commit unlawful sale of legend drug – 1, Maintaining a common nuisance – 20, Furnishing alcohol to a minor – 1, Possession of alcohol by minor/Minor Consumption/contributing – 11, Contributing to the delinquency of a minor – 5, Possession of Cocaine – 1, Dealing Cocaine – 9 &amp; Possession of Alcohol - 1</li> </ul>	
<b>Final Update</b>	

### Objectives:

- **Encourage and support formation of effective judicial/law enforcement programs to provide a mechanism to address ATOD issues.**
- **Assist law enforcement with tools needed to identify or address high-risk behaviors related to substance use.**
- **Educate and inform the community about trends and dangers of substance use, parenting skills, legislative updates, advocacy opportunities, continuing education, and community resources utilizing local media and the Coalition newsletter.**

**Year 1 Update:**

- A special Coalition meeting was held in May 2004 to show appreciation for local law enforcement professionals.
- The Coalition provided funding for an in-car video camera and DSR radar to assist in addressing impaired driving and traffic safety.
- The first edition of the Coalition Newsletter is published in May 2004.
- The Coalition News increased circulation in June by being included with the Town of Fowler monthly newsletter and is also being distributed to over 40 members by email.
- The Coalition provided funding for a nationally recognized speaker to visit Benton Central in 2004. John Crudele addressed youth and parents about issues of substance use.

**Year 2 Update:**

- A special Coalition meeting was held in May 2005; the Coalition's Law Enforcement Appreciation Celebration focusing on increasing advocacy for officers and the Coalition's position to support proactive enforcement. Plaques were given to the officers having the most DUI and drug arrests in 2004.
- The Coalition partnered with the Benton County Prosecutor's office to provide a drug interdiction officer.
- The Coalition News continues its circulation by being included with the Town of Fowler monthly newsletter and being distributed to over 40 members by email.
- Otterbein Police Department report successful use of the new radar in the department's night vehicle since Coalition funding in April.
- The Coalition also awarded funding to the Benton County Sheriff's Department to provide increased DUI patrol.

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**Goals:**

- **There will be a concerted effort to address community-wide ATOD issues.**

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

- According to Benton County Offender Fee records, there were 6 methamphetamine related arrests in 2005.
- There was an additional officer hired by the Prosecutor's Office in 2005 and through a partnership with the Coalition. As of April 2006, the results of these enforcement efforts after 6 months are as follows: TICKETS: Speeds of 100 M.P.H. or faster - 8, 90-99 M.P.H. - 23 ARRESTS: Person's wanted on Warrants - 8, Drug arrests - 24, Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs - 13, Driving while suspended or no license - 32, Agency assists - 11

**Final Report:**

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**Problem Statement #4:** Treatment services in Benton County are not sufficient to address the counties need for treatment for persons seeking services.

**Supportive Data:**

- The following are those services currently available for treatment to Benton County residents: Wabash Valley Hospital, Program for Change- Benton County Probation Dept., Dr. Shari Stembel, Psychologist in private practice. Benton Central High School Counselor
- These are the primary obstacles or limitations identified with these resources:
- Cost: Some of the service providers available do not accept Medicaid reimbursement. Availability: Some of these services are only available to certain populations, such as court referred or students within the school corporation. Distance: Effectively treating the family for addiction or providing the necessary support system is not always possible due to the distance of the service provider from the county.
- The Benton County area has been designated a Health Professional Shortage Area according to the Indiana State Department of Health. This designation is based on the availability of health professional resources within a rational service area; defined as a thirty-minute travel time. In relation to specialty services for substance abuse treatment, the largest in-patient treatment facility is a minimum of 30 miles or approximately 45 minutes from the county seat. Providers for out-patient treatment are similar distances. There are currently 144 adult and 41 youth Benton County residents receiving outpatient treatment services with one of the largest providers in Tippecanoe County, Wabash Valley Hospital, Inc. Over 50% of those receiving service from this provider reside in two of Benton County's largest townships; Center and Oak Grove. According to the National Survey on Drug Use and Health in 2002, more than 7% of adults in the state of Indiana are in need of treatment services for illicit drug use, but are not receiving it and over 25% of adults in the state are in need of treatment services for alcohol use, but are not receiving it. It would stand to reason the similar findings would be true of individual counties within the state. Improving or eliminating the access barriers to service has the potential for a significant impact in the lives of a large number of residents within the Benton community.

**Year 1 Update:**

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**Year 2 Update:**

- **\$8,723.00 in funds allocated to treatment/intervention programs by the Coalition for the 2005-2006 grant cycle.**
- **There were 15 participants, both incarcerated adults and those in transition involved in the Celebrate Recovery Program.**

**Final Update:**

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**Objectives:**

- **Assist with supplemental funding for ATOD treatment and services.**
- **Assist with coordinating the location of AA/NA programs to be held at the county jail and in open to the public facilities as necessary.**
- **Assist with providing educational material and supplies to recovery groups.**
- **Assist with making scholarships available to individuals/families in need of financial assistance to participate in treatment programs.**
- **Promote collaboration among community, schools, and existing youth and family programs that address ATOD treatment issues by developing an information sheet detailing treatment options and resources.**
- **Regularly update members about substance use treatment/intervention issues such as funding resources, legislation, continuing education, advocacy opportunities and more.**
- **Distribute a monthly Coalition newsletter.**

**Year 1 Update:**

- The Coalition provided funding for counseling services and the Program for Change through the Benton County Probation Department. In addition, funding for Benton Central Counseling was also approved in 2004.
- In December 2004, the Coalition also began the grant application process for the SAMHSA Targeted Capacity Expansion Grant to increase financially and geographically accessible substance abuse treatment services in the area.
- Discussion held with the AA facilitator to offer support and resources to the program.
- All funding provided to Benton County Probation Department for this need was utilized in 2004.
- This information was included in the Coalition News.
- Meetings have been conducted to discuss treatment needs in the community, current services, and what services still need to be implemented or enhanced.
- In December 2004, the Coalition also began the grant application process for the SAMHSA Targeted Capacity Expansion Grant to increase financially and geographically accessible substance abuse treatment services in the area.
- The Coalition has also assisted in promoting Crisis Center's 211 services recently added to Benton County.
- The first edition of the Coalition Newsletter was published in May 2004.
- The Coalition News increased circulation in June by being included with the Town of Fowler monthly newsletter.
- The Coalition News and other relevant information is also being distributed to over 40 individuals and organizations by email.
- The first edition of the Coalition Newsletter was published in May 2004.
- The Coalition News increased circulation in June by being included with the Town of Fowler monthly newsletter.
- The Coalition News is also being distributed to over 40 individuals and organizations by email.

**Year 2 Update:**

- The Coalition provided funding for counseling services and the Program for Change through the Benton County Probation Department. In addition, funding for Benton Central Counseling was also approved in 2005.
- The Coalition also applied for the SAMHSA Targeted Capacity Expansion Grant to increase financially and geographically accessible substance abuse treatment services in the area.
- Discussion held with the school corporation to offer support and additional treatment resources to the community.
- This information was included in the Coalition News.
- Meetings have been conducted to discuss treatment needs in the community, current services, and what services still need to be implemented or enhanced.
- The Coalition has also assisted in promoting Crisis Center's 211 services added to Benton County in 2004.
- The Coalition News contains information on these issues and continues circulation by being included with the Town of Fowler monthly newsletter.
- The Coalition News and other relevant information is also being distributed to over 40 individuals and organizations by email.
- The Celebrate Recovery program for incarcerated adults and those in transition was awarded funding.
- Funding also awarded to the Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Coalition to provide cessation programming.

**Final Update:**

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**Goals:**

- **Increase the availability of ATOD treatment in the community. Increase in support to those in the recovery community will assist them in becoming self-sufficient.**

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

- **There was an additional location and group for AA/NA in the Benton Community.**
- **There were 15 participants, both incarcerated adults and those in transition involved in the Celebrate Recovery Program.**
- **There was \$8,500.00 requested for funding for the 2006-2007 grant cycle. \$5,450.00 in allocations were approved for funding.**

**Final Report:**

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**Problem Statement #5:** High-risk alcohol, tobacco, and other drug behaviors exist in the community and must be addressed.

**Supportive Data:**

- According to the Indiana and Prevention Resource Center's data from the ATOD Use by Indiana Children and Adolescent Survey conducted in 2003: 18.5% of 12th graders in Benton County reported a lifetime use of Ecstasy, with 6.2% of 12th graders using it monthly. 3.9% of 8th graders in Benton County reported using Ecstasy in their lifetime. 18.5% of 12th graders reported using psychedelics in their lifetime, while 7.6% of 9th graders used this type of drug.
- It is the opinion of the Coalition members working within the county that juveniles are finding new ways to get high, which do not draw attention to them, therefore, allowing them to be intoxicated in public. Juveniles, young adults and persons on probation have been identified as abusing Dextromethorphan and using Ecstasy and prescription drugs for this purpose.
- In 2004, of the 78 juvenile arrests, 53 (68%) occurred between the hours of 3 p.m. and 7 a.m.; 20 (26%) occurred between the hours of 3 and 7 p.m. (Benton County Probation Department records)

**Year 1 Update:**

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**Year 2 Update:**

- According to data provided by ITPC, of the total births in Benton county, 16.1% of mothers smoked during pregnancy.
- Benton County School Corporation students are taking the IPRC survey this spring 2006 with those results due in the fall. This will allow the Coalition to review age of use and use prevalence.
- There were 1549 methamphetamine lab seizures in the state of Indiana in 2004. Benton County had 2 seizures in 2004 (PREVSTAT, 2005)
- Arrests 2005 (Benton County Offender Fee records): Arrests 2005 (Benton County Offender Fee records): Possession Paraphernalia – 31, Purchasing over 3 grams of ephedrine/pseudo ephedrine in 7 days – 2, Possession of Precursors – 1, Possession of meth – 3, Public Intoxication – 12, Dealing controlled substance – 4, Possession of controlled substance within 1000 feet of a school – 3, Possession of controlled substance – 4, Possession of Marijuana – 36, Dealing Marijuana – 14, Conspiracy to commit dealing of a controlled substance – 1, OWI – 38, Possession of legend drug – 1, Conspiracy to commit unlawful sale of legend drug – 1, Maintaining a common nuisance – 20, Furnishing alcohol to a minor – 1, Possession of alcohol by minor/Minor Consumption/contributing – 11, Contributing to the delinquency of a minor – 5, Possession of Cocaine – 1, Dealing Cocaine – 9 & Possession of Alcohol - 1

**Final Update:**

**Objectives:**

- **Conduct educational forums for parents to educate them on types of drugs, their use and how to identify use in their children, specifically alcohol, marijuana, dextromethorphan, and ecstasy.**
- **Assist with funding for programs addressing high risk ATOD use.**
- **Assist law enforcement with tools needed to identify impaired drivers.**
- **Educate and inform the community about trends and dangers of substance use, parenting skills, legislative updates, advocacy**

**opportunities, continuing education, and community resources  
utilizing local media and the Coalition newsletter.**

**Year 1 Update:**

- The Coalition provided funding for a nationally recognized speaker to visit Benton Central in 2004. John Crudele addressed youth and parents about issues of substance use.
- The Coalition News contains information on these issues and is being distributed in the community.
- All programs funded by the Coalition in 2004 addressed high risk ATOD use.
- In April 2004, the Coalition recommended 7 grants to be funded totaling \$14,332.00.
- The Coalition provided funding for an in-car video camera and DSR radar to assist in addressing impaired driving and traffic safety.
- The first edition of the Coalition Newsletter was published in May 2004.
- The Coalition News increased circulation in June by being included with the Town of Fowler monthly newsletter. The Coalition News is also being distributed to over 40 members by email.

**Year 2 Update:**

- The Coalition provided funding Paul Dunbar: Real Kids, Real speaker to visit Benton Central addressing ATOD issues with students and parents.
- The Coalition News contains information on these issues and is being distributed in the community.
- All programs funded by the Coalition in 2005 addressed high risk ATOD use.
- In April 2005, the Coalition approved *\$16,519.92 to help fund 8 grant projects.*
- A special Coalition meeting was held in May 2005; the Coalition's Law Enforcement Appreciation Celebration focusing on increasing advocacy for officers and the Coalition's position to support proactive enforcement. Plaques were given to the officers having the most DUI and drug arrests in 2004.
- The Coalition partnered with the Benton County Prosecutor's office to provide a drug interdiction officer.
- The Coalition News continues its circulation by being included with the Town of Fowler monthly newsletter and being distributed to over 40 members by email.
- Otterbein Police Department report successful use of the new radar in the department's night vehicle since Coalition funding in April.
- The Coalition also awarded funding to the Benton County Sheriff's Department to provide increased DUI patrol.
- The Coalition News continues circulation by being included with the Town of Fowler monthly newsletter and being distributed to over 40 members by email.
- Courage Club participates in Orange Ribbon Week activities including a convocation and wrecked car as a visual reminder.

**Final Update:**

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**Goals:**

- **Increased community awareness of health risks associated with high-risk ATOD behaviors.**

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

- **Benton County School Corporation students are taking the IPRC survey this spring 2006 with those results due in the fall. This will allow the Coalition to review age of use and use prevalence.**
- **\$3,940 in fund allocations for prevention was approved by the Coalition for the 2005-2006 grant year.**
- **An arrest was made in the county identifying the use of a new drug to the area. It was classified as a Legend Drug in the arrest records. Youth continue to find new ways to achieve a “high”.**

**Final Report:**

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**Problem Statement #6:** There is a lack of awareness of problems related to drug use/abuse.

**Supportive Data:**

- According to the Indiana and Prevention Resource Center's data from the ATOD Use by Indiana Children and Adolescent Survey conducted in 2003: 12.6 % of Benton County's 11th graders reported experiencing a hangover as result of ATOD use. 15.1% of 10th graders reported nausea or vomiting as a result of ATOD use. 9.7% of 11th graders report driving under the influence and 8.1% of 10th graders report getting into a car with an impaired driver at least once. 12.3% of 9th graders report memory loss as a result of ATOD use. 17.4% of 10th and 11th graders report no risk in smoking marijuana occasionally. 22.9% of 11th graders report only a moderate risk of using cocaine occasionally. 37.6% of 11th graders report no risk in occasionally consuming 1-2 alcoholic drinks.
- In 2004, of the 78 juvenile arrests, 53 (68%) occurred between the hours of 3 p.m. and 7 a.m.; 20 (26%) occurred between the hours of 3 and 7 p.m. (Benton County Probation Department records)
- The following data was established through the IPRC Survey (2003) of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use by Benton County School Corporation students: On average, 62% of Benton County 7th graders were not involved in some type of after school activity. 28% of 7th graders reported being at home without adult supervision at some time during the school year. 24% were involved in socialization without adult supervision.
- According to the IPRC Survey data (2003) where 7-12 graders from Benton School Corporation were assessed, an average of 63% of the male students and an average of 65% of the female students participated in one or no organized family activities per week.

**Year 1 Update:**

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**Year 2 Update:**

- **Benton County School Corporation students are taking the IPRC survey this spring 2006 with those results due in the fall.**

**Final Update:**

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**Objectives:**

- **Utilize components educational media effort such as the What's Your Anti-Drug campaign.**
- **Work with the local youth to develop an educational campaign.**
- **Provide educational posters for business and organizations to display in the community.**
- **Identify educational information for distribution to parents.**
- **Provide a parents education forum.**
- **Support the Benton County health fair.**
- **The Coalition will enlist the support of its members to provide opportunities to provide speakers to students and community groups to educate on the county statistics, alcohol and drug facts, and other wellness/safety issues relating to the mission of the Coalition.**
- **Host a prevention providers network.**
- **Plan events or activities for observances such as Red Ribbon Week and Orange Ribbon Week.**
- **Celebrate Coalition grantees in a grant awards ceremony as a special part of a community coalition meeting.**
- **A brochure will be developed explaining the Coalition and its mission.**
- **The Coalition will investigate the costs and design of a web site.**

### Year 1 Update:

- Components of the parenting information from the “What’s Your Anti-Drug” web site have been used and promoted in the Coalition newsletter. The media kit for “What’s Your Anti-Drug” was obtained from NCADI. This media campaign consistently utilized in various media outlets due to production cost at this time. The Coalition began preparation for the application process to obtain funding from the Drug Free Communities Support Program in 2004; supporting the development of a social marketing campaign being used consistently and with a high saturation in the community.
- There has not been a media campaign consistently utilized in various media outlets due to cost at this time. The Coalition began preparation for the application process to obtain funding from the Drug Free Communities Support Program in 2004; supporting the development of a social marketing campaign being used consistently and with a high saturation in the community.
- Information obtained from resources such as Join Together Online and CADCA have also been used to share information with parents. The Coalition has also shared local information relating to parents, such as activities for youth, informational speakers and statistics of use in the Benton Community.
- Funding was provided to bring a speaker to the community specifically offering education for parents.
- The Coalition has traditionally been part of the Health fair. It was not held in 2004.
- Coalition members have volunteered their time to the schools to speak to health classes on issues relating to substance use.
- Red ribbon satin bracelets and stickers were given to each elementary school reaching approximately 927 students. 11 YAC & Courage Club members traveled to 3 elementary schools visiting approximately 370 4-6th graders; reciting and signing a pledge with each student promising to be drug free. The Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Coalition partnered for the visits, giving out bookmarks and mints with a tobacco free message. Over 1200 red lapel ribbons and 35 treat bags were assembled and used during Red Ribbon Week at Benton Central. The SAFETY BUG visited the high school.
- Special notice is placed in the Coalition newsletter and the community newspaper to acknowledge and congratulate grantees and funded projects.
- A brochure has been developed to explain the Coalition, its mission, and how to get involved.

### Year 2 Update:

- The Benton Central Jr/Sr high school Courage Clubs have developed monthly messages for their peers regarding ATOD issues.
- Coalition helps to sponsor Red Ribbon Week activities. The faith community is asked to participate by offering prayers for individuals and families affected by substance abuse. The County’s courthouse is decorated in red ribbons, showing unity for a healthy and safe community. Grocery bags decorated by Benton County elementary school students show all of the positive things our youth enjoy instead of doing drugs and are made available at local retailers. Otterbein, Boswell, & Sacred Heart schools, The Compass & Fowler United Methodist Church participate in Plant the Promise. Red tulips will bloom in the spring during Alcohol Awareness month as a reminder of a community working to be drug free. The Oxford Public library hosts a reading display for youth about making healthy choices. Benton Community students sign pledges to be drug free and this “wall of hands” is displayed at local schools. The Courage Club “tests” fellow high school students through trivia and prizes are shared. Oxford & Fowler elementary students receive a visit from Purdue’s Golden Girl. Proud to Be Drug Free car magnets are offered to Benton County law enforcement
- The Parenting Advantage newsletter, developed with the 40 Developmental Assets was distributed within the schools.
- Planning and collaboration for the Coalition’s first community education night began at the end of 2005 to host a Do You Know? event in March 2006.
- The Coalition has also shared local information relating to parents, such as activities for youth, informational speakers and statistics of use in the Benton Community in its newsletter.
- Special notice is placed in the Coalition newsletter and the community newspaper to acknowledge and congratulate grantees and funded projects.
- A brochure has been developed to explain the Coalition, its mission, and how to get involved.
- The Coalition began preparation for the application process to obtain funding from the Drug Free Communities Support Program in 2004; supporting the development and utilization of a social marketing campaign including a web site, a portion of which would be specifically for youth.

### Final Update:

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**Goals:**

- Increased community awareness of health risks and other negative effects associated with drug use/abuse.

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

- Benton County School Corporation students are taking the IPRC survey this spring 2006 with those results due in the fall.
- 250 students in attendance at the After Prom activities in 2005
- Coalition members participate in the Senior Health Fair reaching 182 individuals.
- In December 2005, the Coalition begins plans for a community education night to be held in 2006.

**Final Report:**

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**Problem Statement #7:** There is a lack of community involvement in addressing the county's drug use/abuse problems.

**Supportive Data:**

- Currently the Coalition has a membership of 20 persons. Members are identified as those interested in the Coalition's efforts and sign a membership list. The Coalition meets monthly with an average attendance of 5 persons.

**Year 1 Update:**

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**Year 2 Update:**

- **Average attendance at Coalition meetings is now 10 persons.**
- **Benton Central Sr High School's youth group, the Courage Club had approximately 15 members in the 2004-2005 school year, with nearly 30 members for the current school year.**

**Final Update:**

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**Objectives:**

- **The Coalition will actively recruit new members representing a variety of community sectors.**
- **The Coalition will use its current membership base to identify the needs of Coalition and recruit specific individuals or groups to assist in meeting those needs.**
- **Advertise meeting dates and times to encourage community participation.**
- **Hold meetings at the same day and time each month to encourage attendance.**
- **A membership packet will be developed to give to interested groups or individuals.**
- **A brochure will be developed explaining the Coalition and its mission.**
- **A mailing list of groups, organizations, and individuals that would benefit from Coalition efforts will be developed.**
- **A monthly newsletter will be distributed to the Coalition members and general mailing list.**
- **Celebrate Coalition grantees in a grant awards ceremony as a special part of a community coalition meeting.**
- **To encourage attendance and involvement, revise the current grant application to include the following requirements: Require that grant recipients agree to acknowledge the Coalition for a Drug-Free Benton County in any information or promotions related to the funded projects; Require a spokesperson representing the grant recipient**

**make one presentation summarizing the goals and progress of the program/project at a monthly Coalition meeting as designated by the Coordinator; Require grant recipients to provide written reports for their projects, including one midway report and one final report; Require a spokesperson representing the grant recipient, preferably a direct service provider, to attend a minimum of at least one scheduled monthly Coalition meeting per quarter.**

### Year 1 Update:

- In March 2004, a new Coalition Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator are hired. Due to changes in personnel with the resignation of the Assistant Coordinator, the Coordinator's time was increased to maintain momentum made since hiring paid staff.
- The Coalition assisted the Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Coalition booth at the Benton County fair. Approximately 25 bags of information and 50 candy packets with prevention message were given out by the Coalition.
- The first edition of the Coalition Newsletter was published in May 2004.
- The Coalition News increased circulation in June by being included with the Town of Fowler monthly newsletter.
- The Coalition News is also being distributed to over 40 individuals and organizations by email.
- Over 40 organizations and individuals are invited to attend monthly meetings.
- The average attendance at Coalition meetings nearly doubled in 2004.
- Special subcommittee meetings were held focusing on prevention and treatment needs in the community creating the opportunity for new partnerships.
- A brochure has been developed to explain the Coalition, its mission, and how to get involved.
- The Benton Review promotes the Coalition monthly meetings on a weekly basis under ongoing events.
- Meetings of the Coalition are held on the third Tuesday of each month beginning at 3:30 in the same location. July meetings are not held due to Coalition members' preference.
- Discussion was held about development of a membership packet in 2004. The creation of the Coalition brochure was the first step in accomplishing this task. Free informational brochures for parents and youth were also obtained from NCADI to include in these packets and other outreach activities.
- At present, over 40 organizations and individuals are on an email distribution list. These organizations and individuals along with others are also included in Coalition postal mailings totaling over 60 contacts. This will be an ongoing task of the Coordinator and the Coalition.
- The first edition of the Coalition Newsletter was published in May 2004.
- The Coalition News increased circulation in June by being included with the Fowler town newsletter and is also distributed to over 40 individuals and organizations by email.
- Special notice was placed in the Coalition newsletter and the community newspaper to acknowledge and congratulate grantees and funded projects.
- This was discussed and planned for inclusion in the 2005-2006 grant application released by the Coalition in February.

### Year 2 Update:

- The Coalition assisted the Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Coalition booth at the Benton County fair. Approximately 25 bags of information and 50 candy packets with prevention message were given out by the Coalition.
- The Coalition News continues circulation by being included with the Town of Fowler monthly newsletter and is also being distributed to over 40 individuals and organizations by email.
- Over 40 organizations and individuals are invited to attend monthly meetings.
- The average attendance at Coalition meetings nearly doubled in 2004 and in 2005 this attendance has been maintained.
- Special subcommittee meetings were held focusing on prevention and treatment needs in the community creating the opportunity for new partnerships.
- A brochure has been developed to explain the Coalition, its mission, and how to get involved.
- The Benton Review promotes the Coalition monthly meetings on a weekly basis under ongoing events.
- Meetings of the Coalition are held on the third Tuesday of each month beginning at 3:30 in the same location. July meetings are not held due to Coalition members' preference.
- Brochures for parents and youth were obtained from NCADI and are used for outreach activities. A brochure has also been developed to explain the Coalition, its mission, and how to get involved.
- Special notice was placed in the Coalition newsletter and the community newspaper to acknowledge and congratulate grantees and funded projects.
- To encourage attendance and involvement, the grant application includes requirements relating to attendance, reporting and Coalition acknowledgement from grant recipients.

### Final Update:

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**Goals:**

- There will be an increase in community involvement in addressing the county's drug use/abuse problems.

**Year 1 Annual Benchmarks:**

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**Year 2 Annual Benchmarks:**

- The Coalition revised its grant application to require attendance at 3 meetings per grant year.
- The Coalition approved 8 projects to receive funding totalling \$16,519.92.
- Benton Central Sr High School's youth group, the Courage Club had approximately 15 members in the 2004-2005 school year, with nearly 30 members for the current school year.
- The Coalition's newsletter continues to reach the town of Fowler residents and over 40 individuals/organizations by email.

**Final Report:**

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***Please attach the County's Fiscal Report for review!***

**Next Annual Update Due: April 2007**

**Next Comprehensive Community Plan Due: April 2008**

**Date of Community Consultant Review: 5/25/2006**

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The Local Drug Free Communities Fund must be spent according to the goals identified within the plan. I hereby acknowledge that I can be asked to submit proper documentation regarding funds that are collected, allocated, and disbursed within the county. Failure to do so could result in a "denied approval" by the Commission under IC 5-2-6-16.

**Initials: VC**

## Local Drug-Free Communities Fund Information

The following funds were deposited in the 2005 Fiscal Year into the Communities Fund:

The beginning balance for 2005 was \$23,937.68 with \$11,200.00 deposited to the Fund in 2005. Year to date balance as of December 2005 was \$24,956.50.

Fund allocations for April 2005 – March 2006 as approved by the Coalition were as follows:

### Prevention/Education

Benton Central Jr./Sr. High School	\$ 1,700.00
<i>Paul Dunbar –Real Kids Real Life Speaker</i>	
Benton Central Jr./Sr. High School	\$ 1,240.00
<i>B.C. Courage Club</i>	
Benton Central Jr./Sr. After Prom Committee	\$ 1,000.00
<i>After Prom Event</i>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,940.00</b>

### Treatment/Intervention

Benton County Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Coalition	\$ 2,230.00
<i>QuitSmart Tobacco Cessation</i>	
Benton County Probation Department	\$ 3,500.00
<i>Counseling Services &amp; Program for Change</i>	
Pastor Dan Fisher-Fowler Wesleyan Church	\$ 2,993.00
<i>Celebrate Recovery Program</i>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,723.00</b>

### Law Enforcement/Judicial

Benton County Sheriff's Department	\$ 2,533.92
<i>DUI Patrol</i>	
Otterbein Police Department	\$ 1,323.00
<i>Traffic Safety Enforcement</i>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,856.92</b>

Funding allocations totaled \$16,519.92 with each category receiving a minimum of 25% of the total funds awarded.



Fund allocations for April 2006 – March 2007 as approved by the Coalition were as follows:

**Prevention/Education**

The Compass Teen & Family Life Center <i>After School Program</i>	\$ 311.36
The Compass Teen & Family Life Center <i>Teen MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)</i>	\$ 750.00
Benton Central Jr./Sr. High School <i>B.C. Courage Club</i>	\$ 1,740.00
Benton Central Jr./Sr. After Prom Committee <i>After Prom Event</i>	\$ 1,200.00
Benton County Tobacco Prevention & Cessation Coalition <i>VOICE youth movement</i>	\$ 1,186.72
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,188.08</b>

**Treatment/Intervention**

Benton County Probation Department <i>Counseling Services &amp; Program for Change</i>	\$ 1,950.00
Pastor Dan Fisher-Fowler Wesleyan Church <i>Celebrate Recovery Program</i>	\$ 3,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,450.00</b>

**Law Enforcement/Judicial**

Indiana State Police <i>Marijuana Eradication Equipment</i>	\$ 3,464.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,464.00</b>

Funding allocations totaled \$14,102.08 with each category receiving a minimum of 25% of the total funds awarded.